UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

Allan Sanders, v. Union Pacific Railroad Co.,	Plaintiff,	No. 4:20-cv-03023-JFB-SMB PLAINTIFF'S PROPOSED VOIR DIRE
	Defendant.	

Allan Sanders proposes the jury be asked the following voir dire questions, with appropriate follow-up inquiry:

A. GENERAL BACKGROUND

- 1. Where were you raised?
- 2. What is your education level? Do any of you hold advanced degrees?
- 3. Do any of you have experience in politics, as a candidate or working on a campaign?
- 4. Do any of you have bumper stickers on your cars? If so, what do they say?
- 5. Are you or any members of your family present or past members of the armed services?
- 6. What organizations are you a member of?
- 7. Do you volunteer in any organizations?

B. EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

- 1. What is your current employment?
- 2. What is your past employment?
- 3. Have you ever worked in a job doing physical labor?
- 4. Do you have any legal training?
- 5. Do you have any family members with legal training?

- 6. Are you or a member of your family members of a labor union?
- 7. Do any of you have experience running a business or holding a leadership or management position?
- 8. Have any of you been fired from a job or employment?
- 9. Do you or anyone close to you have a medical or science background?
- 10. Have you or anyone close to you ever had to review other individuals' medical examination results or records as part of your employment?

C. SOCIAL MEDIA CHOICES

- 1. What are your primary sources of news?
- 2. On what social media platforms do you participate frequently?
- 3. Do you have a favorite book? If so, what is it?
- 4. What is your favorite TV show?

D. PREVIOUS LAWSUIT OF JUROR SERVICE

- 1. Have you ever served on jury?
- 2. If so, what type of case was it?
- 3. Was it a good or bad experience? Why?
- 4. Were you a foreperson?
- 5. Will you be able to put aside past jury experience?
- 6. What do you think are the most important qualities that a juror should have?
- 7. Do any of you have experience with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission?
- 8. Do you have any feelings about lawsuits that seek monetary compensation for discrimination?

E. EXPERIENCE WITH THE PARITES

1. Do you have any feelings about Union Pacific or railroads in general?

- 2. Do you have any friends or family members who work there?
- 3. Have you or has anyone you know applied for a job at Union Pacific or any other railroad?
- 4. What do you think about employees who sue their employers?
- 5. Do you have any feelings about lawsuits that seek monetary compensation for discrimination?

F. VIEWS CONCERNING DISABILITY DISCRIMINATION IN CORPORATE AMERICA

- 1. Do you believe that employers do not take employee disability discrimination complaints seriously?
- 2. Do you believe that employers are more likely than not to engage in disability discrimination?
- 3. Have you or anyone close to you ever asked for an accommodation from their employer because of a disability?

G. KNOWLEDGE DISCRIMINATION TOWARDS FAMILY OR FRIENDS

- 1. Have you ever suffered discrimination of any kind?
- 2. Has a family member or friend ever suffered discrimination of any kind?
- 3. What happened to them?
- 4. Have you ever felt discriminated against in the workplace?
- 5. Do you work closely with any disabled people?
- 6. Do you have any feeling or opinion about disability discrimination in corporate America that you feel you want to share?

H. VIEWS CONCERNING COVID-19

- 1. Would you blame either party for having to attend a trial during the COVID-19 pandemic?
- 2. Do you have any opposition to wearing a face mask during trial?

- 3. Do you have any opposition to wearing a face mask at any time?
- 4. Would you feel pressure to reach a verdict quickly to avoid exposure to COVID-19?
- 5. Would you be distracted during the evidence by a fear of contracting COVID-19?

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